

HAWAII STATE LEGISLATURE STATE CAPITOL HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813 December 7, 2009

Legacy Land Conservation Commission 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 325 Honolulu, HI 96813

Re: Fong Plantation Conservation Easement

Aloha Chair Bonar and Commission Members,

Thank you for your service to the State of Hawai'i on the Legacy Land Conservation Commission. We, as the Representative for the 47th District serving Kāne'ohe to La'ie and the Senator representing the 23rd Senatorial District serving Kāne'ohe to Kahuku, would like to express our support for The Trust for Public Land's application for the Fong Plantation Conservation Easement.

The Fong Plantation Conservation Easement will protect the open space and agricultural values of the 108-acre Fong Plantation property by removing future development rights ensuring the rural character and natural landscape of the area will be preserved for the future generations.

The Fong Plantation property contains land designated as "Prime" agricultural land according to the Agricultural Lands of Importance to the State of Hawai'i. The property's lush hillsides and plateaus serve as a scenic backdrop for residents and for travelers along Kamehameha Highway.

The conservation easement is consistent with the State and County plans for the area. We respectfully encourage the commission to support this project.

Sincerely,

Presentative Jessica Wooley

Senato Clayton Hee